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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Michael L. Levy, and Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham today announced the filing of an Indictment¹ against Edres Gaston, a convicted felon who was unlawfully in possession of a firearm.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH
Edres Gaston	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	1976

If convicted, the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of life in prison, with a mandatory fifteen year sentence, a \$250,000 fine, 5 years supervised release, and a \$100 special assessment.

This case was investigated by the Philadelphia Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms, and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Elizabeth Abrams. The case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a federal initiative designed to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendant is likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction.

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¹ An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.